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1. "40 Developmental Assets Resource Guide"

Purpose: To provide Coalition members and local businesses and organizations with an accurate, timely and reliable inventory of programs in the area that provides asset-building opportunities.

Coordinating Strategies: By first asking Coalition members and then community businesses to fill out a survey, we create a partnership and an educational opportunity up front. From there, we can start the educational process about what asset building is, and how to begin promising practices right in that business's current environment.

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"Gritman Medical Center, Young Children and Family (YCF) Programs"

Service Area: Lewis-Clark Valley

Service Area: Latah County

Purpose: Dedicated to impacting critical early childhood growth and learning by providing all families of infants and young children in Latah County with supportive, educational, screening, and resource services. We believe:

- All children are born to learn and families are their primary educators
- All families desire a responsive and enriching environment for their children
- Al communities want to learn how to give their children a safe and healthy start

Coordinating Strategies: The Early Childhood Service Council (ECSC), a group comprised of representatives from agencies serving young children and families in Latah County, was founded in 1997 and meets monthly to maintain strong connections between area programs. In the fall of 1998, the ECSC submitted a proposal to the J.A. & Kathryn Albertson Foundation to establish the Young Children and Family Programs and was selected as an early childhood demonstration site. In the fall of 2001, YCF was selected to receive one of 25 national Early Learning Opportunities Act discretionary grants. The ECSC continues to serve as an advisory board for the project.

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www.gritman.org

3. "Centers for Discovery"

Purpose: The Centers of Discovery project assists the communities of Cottonwoood, Elk City, Grangeville, Kamiah, Kooskia, and Riggins in establishing locally-managed, holistic learning programs that focus on the social, emotional, physical, and intellectual development of youth.

Coordinating Strategies: In each community, a program Operations Board, or not-for-profit board, comprised of community members, parents, and school personnel, designs and establishes a sustainable program. Each community's board is empowered to shape the local services provided in their program.

Service Area: The communities of Cottonwood, Elk City, Grangeville, Riggins, Kamiah and Kooskia Ada Co.

Service Area: Clearwater County

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Primary Contact:

Mary Schmidt, Centers for Discovery Project Director University of Idaho Cooperative Extension System Room #3 Courthouse, Grangeville, Idaho 83530 Phone: 208-983-7951 and Fax: 208-983-0251

4. "Clearwater County Infant Project"

Purpose: Prevent the occurrence and transmission of diseases preventable through immunization and establish integrated and comprehensive immunization delivery system capable of making immunizations available to all individuals in need.

Coordinating Strategies: The Infant Project coordinates closely with local agencies. Our partnering agents are Clearwater Memorial Public Library, Clearwater Valley Hospital & Clinic, Idaho Infant Toddler Program, WIC, North Central Health District, Community Action Agency and Idaho Family & Children's Services. We provide cross referrals and coordinate services with our many community partners.

Primary Contact:

Beth Richardson, Coordinator Agency Clearwater County Infant Project Address PO Box 888, Orofino, ID 83544 Phone/Fax numbers (208) 476-9093 Fax (208) 476-4527

5. "Clearwater Memorial Public Library's Read to Me Coalition"

Purpose: Community collaboration to increase early literacy practices among families with young children in Clearwater County.

Coordinating Strategies: The Read to Me Coalition meets monthly and began with members who served families with children under 5 years of age, but in May, 2001 expanded to include members who serve children of all ages.

Primary Contact:

Pam McBride, Director Agency Clearwater Memorial Public Library Address PO Box 471, Orofino, ID 83544 Phone/Fax numbers (208) 476-3411 FAX (208) 4754527

6. "Parents Encouraging Parents (PEP) Free Online Parenting Classes"

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Our main goal is to provide information so that parents may be empowered with the knowledge, skills and support they need to improve their family life, thus decreasing the incidence of child abuse/neglect, and juvenile substance abuse. Hundreds of parents have found our online classes in their search for parenting classes over the Internet. A second goal is to extend our reach through Idaho's human service agencies, to individuals who may be unaware of our service, or unable to access Internet classes from their home.

Coordinating Strategies: PEP works closely with many other family agencies, to ensure that we complement their programs as much as possible, without duplicating services. PEP has representatives from Health & Welfare, DDP, Head Start, the schools, etc. on our Board of Directors. We collaborate with other agencies as members of the following groups: the Human Needs Council in Grangeville, The Read to Me Coalition in Orofino, CAYC in Lewiston, Region II Substance Abuse Authority, Idaho County Substance Abuse Coalition, and School District 241 Safe and Drug Free Schools Committee.

Service Area: Statewide

Primary Contact:

Nathalie Kretzmann, Director

Agency: Parents Encouraging Parents (PEP)

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Web Site: www.parentingonline.org

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Service Area: Statewide

Primary Contact:

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9. "Region 7 Council for Children's Mental Health"

Purpose: To develop a system of care for seriously emotionally disturbed children and their families.

Coordinating Strategies: The Region 7 Council for Children's Mental Health meets monthly with representatives from six local councils.

Service Area: Region 7

Primary Contact:

Fred Kirn, Chief of Chilfren's Mental Health Services

Agency: Idaho Dept. of Health and Welfare

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E-mail address: kirnf@idhw.state.id.us

Web site: idffcmh.org

10. "Idaho Falls Community Transition Team"

Purpose: The vision of the team is "We envision a community where all people can live, work and play as valued contributing members." The team addresses specifically transition issues for students with disabilities as they prepare to leave high school and enter the adult world.

Coordinating Strategies: The Idaho Falls Community Transition Team consists of representatives from Shelly, Idaho Falls, Bonneville, and Rigby school districts as well as representatives from Eastern Idaho Technical College; the Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation; Job Service; Development Workshop, Inc.; Transitions, Inc.; Human Service Connection; and parents of students with disabilities. The team, which has been together since the early 1990's, was created by a grant from the State Department of Education

Service Area: Team members include representatives from Shelly, Idaho Falls, Bonneville, and Rigby school districts as well as service agencies from the Idaho Falls area

Primary Contact:

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11. "Welcome to the Real World"

Purpose: This program is a 3-hour hands-on real world simulation that gives teens a chance to see how their career choices may affect their earning power and spending choices.

Coordinating Strategies:

Service Area: Bonneville, Bingham, Fremont, Madison, and Power counties

Primary Contact:

Barbara Petty, Extension Educator University of Idaho Bonneville County Extension Office 529-1390

12. "Horticulture Training for 3B Detention Residents"

Purpose: The 3B Detention Facility houses juvenile offenders from Bonneville, Butte, and Bingham

Counties

Coordinating Strategies:.

Service Area: Bonneville, Butte, and Bingham Counties

Primary Contact:

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13. "BONNEVILLE COUNTY 4-H"

Purpose: To help Idaho youth acquire knowledge, life skills, and attitudes that enhance their lives.

Coordinating Strategies:

Service Area: Bonneville County

Primary Contact:

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Web site: extension.ag.uidaho.edu/bonneville

14. "Community Resource Center"

Purpose: Our purpose is to connect parents with community resources, and to network and collaborate with educators, counselors and juvenile justice officers to strengthen and enhance community resources by developing new programs for parents and youth.

Coordinating Strategies:

Service Area: Bonneville County

Primary Contact:

Kristi Bybee, Resource Coordinator Bonneville County Community Resource Center 883 Shoup Ave. 208-528-5600 ext.3024 /208-528-5608 kbybee@co.bonneville.id.us

15. "Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Program"

Purpose: To provide support to the youth in our community and their parents, care givers, and advocates which would help them prepare to make healthy life decisions in regard to sexual behavior and would reinforce the postponement (abstinence) of sexual activity in the teen (premarital) years.

Coordinating Strategies: With community collaboration, we have four workgroups involved in specific aspects of the Coalition. These are: Provider Education, Parent Education, Registry (IRIS), and Advocacy. The Coalition has collaborated with more than fifty-four organizations, and private and public associations.

Service Area: District Seven

(Bonneville, Clark, Custer, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, and Teton Counties)

Primary Contact:

Amy Behunin, Health Education Specialist District Seven Health Department 254 "E" Street Idaho Falls, ID 83402

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16. "Injury Prevention"

- **1. Purpose**: 1. To educate community members regarding seat belt safety and to support the strengthening of motor vehicle occupant protection policies.
 - To provide parents and caregivers with education regarding use and installation of child safety seats.
 - b. To assist in the resolution of environmental factors that may contribute to high incidences of bicycle injuries.
 - c. "Every Child A Safe And Healthy Child"
 - i. Completely Immunized
 - ii. Correctly installing and using child safety seats
 - iii. Wearing bicycle helmets
 - iv. Wearing seat belts

Provide individualized educational programs to help people improve their ability to use printed, numerical and written information so they may function successfully on the job, in the family and in society. The Preschoolers & Parents as Partners program seeks to break the cycle of generational illiteracy.

Coordinating Strategies: In conjunction with the Injury Prevention Program, the Bonneville County Partnership For Safe and Healthy Kids works to ensure the safety of children in Bonneville County.

Service Area: Bonneville, Clark, Custer, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, and Teton Counties

Primary Contact:

Timalee Geisler, MHE, Health Education Specialist

District Seven Health Department 254 E Street, Idaho Falls, ID 83402 208-522-0310 and 208-525-7063 tgeisler@phd7.state.id.us

17. "Focus on the Children"

Purpose: To provide education for parents who are divorcing and who have children under the age of 18.

Coordinating Strategies:

- Gathering support from magistrate judge:
- Gathering support from the local bar association
- Finding qualified teachers
- Teaming with local Paralegal Association
- Partnering with Health and Welfare

Service Area: Bannock, Power, Oneida, Franklin, Bear Lake and Caribou Counties

Primary Contact:

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18. "SHARE - Sheriff Help and Recovery Environment"

Purpose: Provide treatment for 180 to 216 inmates per year, based on need and not on financially ability or inability.

Coordinating Strategies: Judges, Jail and Sheriff, Road to Recovery, State Department of Corrections, Bannock County Misdemeanor Probation, Trial Court Administrator, Clerk of the Court

Service Area: Bannock County

Primary Contact:

Suzanne H. Johnson, Trial Court Admin. 6th Judicial District Idaho Supreme Court 624 E. Center, Room 220; Pocatello, ID 83201 (208)236-7355; FAX (208)236-7013 suzyj@co.bannock.id.us

19. "Help Inc. Child Abuse Prevention & Family & Children Support Center"

Purpose: To reduce the pain, trauma, and scars of child abuse through victim assistance and support programs for victims and their families. In addition, the agency also provides community-wide prevention programs.

Coordinating Strategies: Among the many agencies Help Inc. coordinates with and refers to are: the Domestic Violence Intervention Center; the Department of Health and Welfare; FAITH (housing); the Haven (housing); District VII Health Department; FISH (food and necessities); Deseret Industries; School District Nos. 91 and 93; Court and Clinical Services; Idaho Falls Police Department; Bonneville County Sheriff's Office; Head Start; Children's Mental Health Alliance, and numerous others.

Service Area: Bonneville, Clark, Custer, Jefferson, Butte, Lemhi, Madison, Teton, and Fremont counties

Primary Contact:

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Help Inc. Family & Children's Support Center
255 B Street Suite 200
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Service Area: Statewide

Primary Contact:

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21. "Love, Logic and Literacy"

Purpose: Help parents become their child's best and most influential teacher.

Coordinating Strategies: The district VII health office, even start and elementary schools.

Service Area: Rexburg

Primary Contact:

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On the web at: http://www.p3l.org

22. "Madison County Community Council"

Purpose: To enhance the lives of children and their families in Madison County.

Coordinating Strategies: Stakeholders in the community council are: Schools; the PTO; Law Enforcement; State, Local, and Private Agencies, and Organizations; a Local College; Local Government; Churches (Faith Community); Parents; the Business Community; Media; and Students

Service Area: Madison County

Primary Contact:

C.R. "Pete" Petersen

http://communitycollaboration.net

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Rob Tietjen, President, Madison County Community Council

23. "Asset Development Committee/Youth Action"

Purpose: To collaborate effectively between youth and parents/to increase parent involvement in schooling/to give youth a voice in their community

Coordinating Strategies: The YAC and ADC are built around partnerships between the community and our youth in order to maintain positive and healthy youth in Madison County. Stakeholders: Madison and Sugar-Salem school board members, youth and adults on the YAC and ADC, AmeriCorps Promise Fellow and AmeriCorps Asset Builder, and adults from the community

Service Area: Madison County

Primary Contact:

Jeanne Core/Josh Taylor 290 N. 1st E. Rexburg, ID 83440 208 359-3300 jblaketaylor@yahoo.com

24. "Project Imagine"

Purpose: To provide a cocoon safety net for children to reduce youth involvement in high-risk behaviors.

Coordinating Strategies: Community members are paid or volunteer their time to teach the after school program.

Service Area: Rexburg

Primary Contact:

Janet Goodliffe Project Imagine Coordinator (208) 359-3300 Madison School District

25. "Bonneville Youth Development Council"

Purpose: The mission of the Bonneville Youth Development Council is to establish an organizational structure to address the needs of all young people in our community, and to promote programs and community efforts that enrich and support families in developing strong positive assets in youth.

Coordinating Strategies Ability to create community partnerships: BYDC successfully binds all segments of the community together to advocate and take action on behalf of youth.

Involve appropriate stakeholders: Ongoing media campaigning, presentations, and community-wide events promote BYDC membership and spreading the 40 Assets message.

Primary Contact:

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26. "Twin Falls County HealthNet Coalition"

Purpose: Improve health and safety by empowering the diverse community to choose healthy lifestyles.

Coordinating Strategies: As a community Coalition we have many county agencies involved with our efforts.

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center	Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital	College of Southern Idaho
Magic Valley Skate Boarders Assn.	United Way	MECCA
Juvenile Probation Department	El Milagro Housing	La Posada
Twin Falls Police Department	Idaho Migrant Council	Canyonview
Southern Idaho Learning Center	Vera C. O'Leary Junior High	U. of Idaho Extension Office
Department of Health and Welfare	Trio Student Services	LINC
South Central District Health Department	The Workplace	Magic Valley Safe Kids
Boys & Girls Clubs of Magic Valley	KMVT	Silver Sage Girl Scouts
Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department	Twin Falls School District Filer School District Hansen School District Castleford School District	Buhl School District Kimberly School District Murtaugh School District

Service Area: Twin Falls County

Service Area: Bonneville County

Primary Contact:

Melanie Shouse, Facilitator Twin Falls County HealthNet Coalition 22585 Hwy 30 Kimberly, ID 83341-5204 Phone 208.423.5915 FAX 208.423.4114 babysafe@lightcom.net

27. "NARCONON"

Purpose: To enable an individual to be free of drugs and cravings, to be fully in control of their life and to be an ethical and productive citizen.

Coordinating Strategies: Currently working with the court systems, Idaho Migrant Council, Department of Health and Welfare, and the Magic Valley Crisis Center.

Service Area: Statewide

Primary Contact:

Bill Jensen, Executive Director Maria Jensen, President NARCONON ID 2975 Overland Ave. Burley, ID 83318 (208) 677-2600 (w) (208) 678-2185 (h) (208) 678-2185 www.narcanon@safelink.net

28. "Child Friendly Policies Promote Healthy Decision-Making Skills"

Purpose: People who work with children have an opportunity to have a lasting impact on their lives.

Coordinating Strategies: All parents have a stake in the healthy development of their children. The "family friendly" section of the policies dealt with the stress that working parents are under and their need to feel that their children are lovingly cared for. Surveying the parents showed that the parents were approving of the new policies. The Gooding School District is a partner under the 21st Century Grant which is funding the program for 2001-2002.

Service Area: Gooding

Primary Contact:

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29. "Twin Falls Job Corps"

Purpose: To attract eligible young adults, teach them the skills they need to become employable, independent, and place them in meaningful jobs or further education.

Coordinating Strategies: Partner with multiple agencies: Private Industry, Volunteers, Labor Unions, Trade Associations, and the Federal Government.

Service Area: 120 Centers located in 46 States, The District of Columbia and Puerto Rico

Primary Contact:

Lenny L. Payne, Admissions Job Corps Admissions and Placement PO Box 1123 124 Main Ave. North, #20 Twin Falls, ID 83301

Ph: (208) 733-2341/fx: (208) 733-2341 E-mail: paynel.jcdc.jobcorps.org

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Service Area: Statewide

Primary Contact:

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31. "Learn and Earn"

Purpose: The goal of Magic Valley Youth and Adult Services', Inc. (MVYAS) "Learn and Earn" program is to provide an **"educational enhancement**" and positive "**work experience**" to predominately "at risk" youth year round. To provide a cocoon safety net for children to reduce youth involvement in high-risk behaviors.

1. Coordinating Strategies: MYVAS believes in performing the services that we do best and collaborate with other agencies to allow them to do what they do best. This collaboration increases the success of youth and extends the effectiveness of program dollars. Coordination with Idaho Migrant Services, Community Partnerships of Idaho, School Districts, Health and Welfare, CSI student Financial Aid Department, Academic Development Center, Adult Basic Education, Career Counseling Center, South Central Community Action Agency, Idaho Childcare Program, Idaho Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Idaho Commission for the Blind & Vision Impaired, Idaho Housing & Finance Association, and Job Services during assessment, interventions and supportive services on an ongoing basis contributes to the success of youth.

Service Area: Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka, and Twin Falls

Primary Contact:

Sylvia Ann Bradshaw, President Magic Valley Youth & Adult Services 1869 Addison Avenue East Twin Falls, ID 83301 (208) 734-4435 (208) 734-4479 (Fax) mvyas@pmt.org

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32. "Folic Acid Education Campaign"

Purpose: To have every woman of childbearing age consume 400 mcg of synthetic Folic Acid every day.

Coordinating Strategies: Our Idaho Folic Acid Council members and partners include WIC, all seven Health Departments, numerous Hospitals and Community Migrant Health Clinics, the Idaho Perinatal Project, the Pregnancy Wellness Coalition of Lewiston/Clarkston Valley, Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies and many Head Start, Early Head Start Programs and Parents As Teachers Projects. In addition, numerous individuals from health organizations such as the Idaho Dietetic Association and AWHONN and from private practices are taking part in educational efforts. Finally, a number of businesses are educating employees and customers about the importance of Folic Acid.

Service Area: Statewide

Primary Contact:

K. Lynn Kammermeyer, PhD Director of Program Services March of Dimes Idaho State Chapter 3222 W Overland Road Boise, ID 83705 800.336.5421 or 208.336.5421 208.336.5421 fax lkammermeyer@modimes.org

33. "Bridges, Parent Resource Center"

Purpose: Bridges provides information and a resource base for parents while connecting them with each other and the community.

Coordinating Strategies: Bridges was developed collaboratively by the Children's Home Society of Idaho, the Family Advocate Program, Success by 6®, and the city of Boise's Healthy Community Healthy Youth initiative. Current partners also include the Mountain States Group Parents as Teachers Program, University of Idaho, and the Governor's Initiative for Children and Families. Working together, these organizations support Bridges with financial support, technical assistance and referral of services available at Bridges.

Service Area: Boise, Treasure Valley

Primary Contact:

Terri Kroll, Project Coordinator Bridges, Parent Resource Center 740 Warm Springs Avenue, Suite 201 Boise, Idaho 83712 208-343-9654 tkroll@qwest.net Brigesprc@lycos.net

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35. "Idaho Association for the Education of Young Children"

Purpose:

VISION - Inspire and lead those who touch the lives of Idaho's children. Encourage commitment to

the ideal that every Idaho child deserves to live a satisfying childhood that allows them to develop to full potential.

MISSION – To improve the quality of life for Idaho's young children and their families

Improve professional practice in early care and education

Build public understanding and support

Build and maintain a strong, diverse and inclusive organization

Coordinating Strategies: Idaho AEYC works with several collaboration groups across the state including Early Childhood Collaboration Effort (ECCE), STAND for Children, Healthy Child Care Idaho, T.E.A.C.H. (Teacher Education And Compensation Helps, scholarships for child care providers to continue their college education), and many other community partners that include Idaho colleges and Universities, Idaho Migrant Council, Idaho Parents Unlimited, and Idaho Head Start Association.

Service Area: Statewide

Primary Contact:

Karen Mason, Executive Director Idaho Association for the Education of Young Children 1276 W River, suite 100 fax 208-345-3242 <u>Idahoaeyc@yahoo.com</u> <u>www.idahoaeyc.org</u>

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37. IDOT Child Passenger Protection Education"

Purpose: To educate Idaho residents about the best transportation practices for Child Passenger Safety.

Coordinating Strategies: The Idaho Office of Highway Safety provides funds for Occupant Protection Programs throughout the State, some of our partners include:, Health Districts 1-7, Law Enforcement, Safe Kids Coalitions and continually focuses on Statewide Education through media, educational materials and partners.

Service Area: Statewide

Primary Contact:

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38. "Project Boise County Community Justice Dept: Preventative Initiatives"

Purpose: To encourage and facilitate a collaborative community effort that would hold offenders accountable for their actions in a meaningful and timely manner, promote proactive early childhood prevention strategies, provide children with improved life skills, and enhance community safety.

Coordinating Strategies: Idaho City Collaboration: the library, CareSource, PAT, HeadStart, the preschool, West Boise County Collaboration (similar agencies)

Our partners: Idaho Children's Trust Fund, Albertsons Foundation, Idaho Public TV, Governor's Coordinating Council, AmeriCorps, local school districts, CareSource, HeadStart, Parents as Teachers, local libraries, Central District Health, Boise County.

Service Area: Boise County

Primary Contact:

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